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CURRENT COMMENT

BY FREDERIC HEATH

A California military post has begun to court-martial soldiers who are suspected of Socialist leanings. It makes great sport for sneaks in camp, who can toady to the colonel by proving faithless to their brothers. Capitalism is responsible for the working-class sneak, just as it is responsible for spoiling human nature in other directions.

The report that the parcels post has netted the government a profit of twenty millions of dollars in its first year of operation would seem to show why the express companies have spent so much money on legislation to protect their graft. It shows what robber prices they were charging the people right along. Their profits must have been simply tremendous. It pays to have Uncle Sam do things. He could work just as marvelous results for the people if he took over manufacturing and transportation. Socialism beckons the people on to better methods. They are forced to take a forward step now and then, but every step makes the next one easier.

The principle of the industrial form of trade union organization, that every thinking and wide awake workingman believes in, is certainly entitled to sympathy when a rabble of crooks, crazy-heads and bums assume to be its spokesmen. No wonder well meaning men are giving the rabble the go by. Most of the men who met to organize the Industrial Workers some years ago and who drafted its early literature are today foes of the degenerated organization. Men like Debs, Simons, Untermann and many others that could be named today regard it as a mistake and a menace to true labor revolt. Its effort to discredit and badger the United Mine Workers in the West Virginia fight is only one of its many crimes against the cause of labor solidarity.

"Election to parliament at present has a value to Socialism merely to the extent the Socialist member can trade off his vote with Radicals to secure opportunist legislation." This sounds like Emma Goldman or some English Anarchist notable, but it is from none less than Gaylord Wilshire, who exploited the American Socialist movement for the benefit of his pocket and then went over to anarchism when the Socialists began to expose him and spoil his graft. It is of a piece with the Haywoodism about hitting the ballot box with an axe. The "opportunist" legislation referred to is legislation for the benefit of the working class and in accordance with the social evolution which Socialists are helping along in order to bring the transformation or revolution that will substitute Socialism for capitalism.

The steel trust made forty millions of profits for its owners the

SLANDERS THE MINERS.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Stoutly protesting that he had not come to Washington at the behest of the West Virginia coal barons, Bishop Donahue, prominent Catholic priest of Wheeling, W. Va., created considerable amusement here before the West Virginia senate committee by maintaining that labor unions were started to provide big salaries for those lucky enough to be chosen its officials.

Senator Martine asked Bishop Donahue if labor unions were not organized, in his opinion, for the good of the members.

"That may be one reason," the bishop replied; "another is to furnish fat salaries to officials."

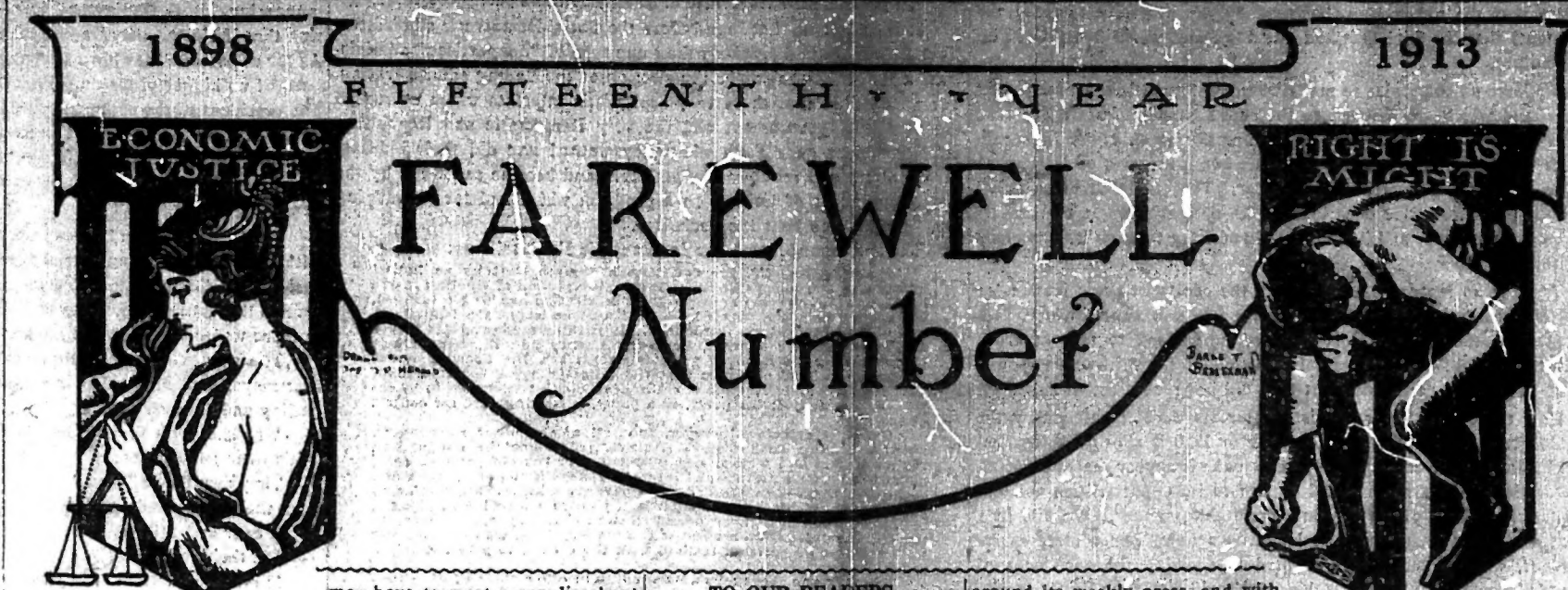
"Did you ever hear of an official that was worth \$20,000?" demanded Attorney Stedman for the United Mine Workers.

"I did not speak of accumulations. I referred to salaries," returned the Catholic prelate.

Attorney Monnett, also for the miners, asked if the bishop thought gaudy suits, armored cars and blood-hounds were some of the things that set the soul of the miners on fire.

The bishop responded that he considered the use of those weapons best governed by the common law, which allowed the use of guns when the user was "backed to the wall."

The bishop denied having come to Washington at the request of coal mine operators.



first quarter of this year, which would be one hundred and sixty millions for a year. Clear theft. These millions do not represent pay for labor or supervision, but clear pocketing of the money of the people. And it is but a mere trifle compared to what the idlers take out of the entire range of the industry of society. It shows how fearful capitalist parasitism is, but as long as the fool people vote for it each election they have only themselves to blame. It is the business of the Socialist to wake them up to a realization of the robbery. It is not a task of a day, but a long and patient campaign, from which the shallow and the impatient drop out and look for short cuts, and other rainbow chasing. Prag is a smart dog but holdfast is a better one, goes the old saying, and it applies to the men who interest themselves in social transformation.

As Socialists round the country

may have to meet a new lie about our movement, just such an one as will suit the purposes of a Davie Goldstein or a Pete Collins, it may be well to give the following facts. The charge, first put forward in Otis' conscienceless Los Angeles Time, alleges that there are Socialist Sunday schools in Chicago among the Bohemians in which a catechism is used which starts off in one place in this wise: "What is God? A. God is a word used to designate an imaginary being which people of themselves have devised." And so on. "As Socialism takes a stand neither for nor against religions the stuff is on the face of it ridiculous and fraudulent, but the facts have been looked up and it appears that there was at one time a Bohemian free thinkers' society in Chicago that imitated the churches by running a Sunday school, and that the Otis quotations are taken deliberately and crookedly from a catechism that was used in them and charged to the Socialists! There are no

TO OUR READERS.

Good bye! It is hard to write these words, but the necessity is here and they must be written. I know well enough what a shock the intelligence conveyed in the above heading will bring to many readers of this paper and over this country, and outside of it, too. It will come to them like lightning out of the blue, and a thing wholly undreamed of, yet it has been under contemplation for a long time by the Milwaukee comrades, in fact, ever since The Herald was succeeded in the local field by our daily, The Milwaukee Leader. The Milwaukee Social-Democratic movement was built up

around its weekly press, and with that caution and determination that has always marked it, it withstood the temptation to start a daily newspaper until it had actually captured the city government. It could then be put off no longer, for the daily avalanche of capitalistic falsehood must be met, daily.

Once the daily was started, the local subscription list of the Social-Democratic Herald was turned over to the new champion and this paper ceased to be a factor in the great Milwaukee movement. There was work still for it to do nationally, however, and as its national list was a large one, it was decided to continue it as a national party paper, at the same time seeking right along to get its readers to change over to the daily. A daily Socialist newspaper is today almost a necessity to the Socialist who would keep posted up to the minute no matter where he lives, and it has been gratifying to us to see The Leader's national list grow and to

feel that its daily influence is becoming a national party factor.

Even at this The Herald would doubtless have remained in the field but for the fact that there has come over the general Socialist newspaper situation a development that is putting the national weekly papers nearer and nearer the discard every day. This is the astonishing development and multiplication of local Socialist weeklies, which are also out and out propaganda papers. More have been started by inexperienced Socialists who have underestimated the difficulties of newspaper publishing, than the movement can support, but many of them will live. This development has not taken quite the direction that I have repeatedly urged, however.

I wanted to see the Socialists get possession of the purely local county papers and even the smaller city papers, thus deposing

REMARKABLE PICTURE OF POLICE HEAD CRACKING IN TRANSPORT UNION STRIKE IN DUBLIN



The Transport Union, led by James Larkin, a Socialist, has had some hard clashes with the police, as capitalism has sworn to annihilate the union. In the above scrimmage one man, James Nolan, was killed by the police. Wounded men are seen lying in the street. See item elsewhere on this page.

capitalism from giving out the daily and weekly news to the people and substituting Socialist horse sense for capitalistic lies and arguments in the editorial columns. Instead of this the papers started, while locally supported, have almost without exception been straightened part propaganda papers instead of newspapers. They cannot possibly be so effective, since people do not have to take them to get the news, and they have rooted out, so to speak, in their own localities, the nationally circulated propaganda papers. All the national party papers of large circulation have felt this, and are feeling it, and Appeal to Reason has suffered no worse than some of the others. Sooner or later, one by one, they will have to howl to the facts of the situation, and modify their plans or suspend.

The point to be kept in mind, however, is that this change does not indicate a falling off in the Socialist fervor in the country. It indicates the opposite. That fervor has grown to great local proportions in various places all over the United States and the comrades have turned from the general party papers to local mouthpieces of their own. For one, the Social-Democratic Herald has long seen this situation developing, and because of it, the Milwaukee comrades, who prefer to center all their energies on their local work, since the gaining and holding of a great city is of the greatest importance to the movement in the United States, have decided upon the change that takes this paper out of the newspaper field and turns its subscribers over to The Milwaukee Leader.

An extra office force of clerks is at work making the subscription transfers on the books and arranging the necessary details in the mailing department and as the list is a very large one, our readers are asked to bear with us if by chance there is a delay in their getting the daily.

A final word must be said here about The Social-Democratic Herald and its historic aspect. For years it represented the head center of the Socialist movement in this country. It was started in 1898 by the relatively small band of earnest Socialists who had started a national party in opposition to the old Socialist Labor party and its distorted, stagnating form of Socialism and Socialist propaganda. The DeLeon perversion had set the stage for Socialist propaganda in this country, and for years was accepted by those who did not know the international tactics as Simon pure Socialism.

It is only in relatively recent years that Socialism in this country can be said to have swung in line with the international movement, so great was the miseducation carried on by the Socialist Labor party. And the head center of the international tactics was Milwaukee and Wisconsin, the home of Victor L. Berger, who, unknown to many, had been the real founder of the new party. So little was the

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THE DUBLIN STRIKES.

DUBLIN, Ireland. — The most significant thing about the labor troubles here is the absolute silence of the Roman Catholic hierarchy. On all other Irish questions the influence of the hierarchy is quickly felt. On the strike not a word has been said to indicate where the sympathies of the church officials are located.

On the one side the hold of organized labor upon the masses is so strong that any attack upon the strikers would mean the instant loss of great masses to the church. On the other hand, the power of the employers among the hierarchy is so great that no attack upon them may be expected. The condition of the unskilled workers of Dublin is claimed to be the worst of any large section of people in the civilized world. There are 20,000 families living in one room each, and poverty and vice are prevalent.

These poor wretches have at last risen to rebellion, and they are the ones that are with James Larkin in the fight for a chance to live. The ruling classes are badly frightened. Many of the larger firms have already made arrangements to move to London, believing that English labor will remain submissive for some time.

"The test of popular prosperity and the public welfare is plain. It is the condition of the body of the people. What is their life, and how do they live?"

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BRITAIN IN THROES OF SEX WAR THAT GIVES JOHN BULL CREEPS AND HURTS SOCIALISM

BY CHAW DESMOND.

LONDON, England. — Old Rome saw the beginning of the hitherto unknown terrors of a sex war, and promptly squelched it. Great Britain will not so easily be able to stop the sex war which has already gotten well under way, and which is a menace to society as a whole and to Socialism in particular.

Let the capitalist press disguise it as it may, the fact is that we are now in the throes of civil war, but

of which the sex war has started to develop. The whole nation is on tenterhooks—no man dare be certain that when he goes on a railway journey his train may not break down—that when he enters a public building it may not take fire—even that through the cutting of the wires his telegram or telephone message will ever reach its destination. A few weeks ago there was an explosion in the tube station at Piccadilly circus; yesterday a bomb was found in St. Paul's

cathedral, which would have wrecked the building and gutted it had not a lever been turned the wrong way; and now comes the news of the burning down of a London church, the burning out of half a dozen mansions, and the promise of further deeds which shall make a reign of terror in Britain.

All this in the women's fight for the vote.

Many of us believe that these tactics are a mistake at this juncture, but no single one of us can wonder at the desperation of women who have been sold over and over again by the trickiest government England has ever known—the present Liberal administration.

Strangling Free Speech.

Seizing time by the forelock, the authorities, instructed by Asquith & Co., have set out to strangle the right of free speech, not only among the suffragettes, but among the Socialists. It has taken

Englishmen a century-long battle to win the right which is now being flung from them.

Let us see how the trick is being worked.

First of all, the boys in office come along and say to the women of Britain: "Look here; you're all right to bring children into the world and as a luxury, but we men will make your laws." In every country in the world where people have been denied the elementary right of self-government there has

been trouble. Poland made trouble with the Russian Colossus—Ireland and India with the English. So the women got to work.

These provocateurs having incited the women to violence, promptly slip over a "See, you're unfit for self-government, and must therefore be denied the right of free speech." For self-government means self-expression, and unfit for it implies unfitness for the other. So they raid their headquarters, impound all their

records, arrest their leaders upon a charge of conspiracy, and—well, there you are!

Socialist Press Threatened.

Not only this, but W. S. P. U. meetings in Hyde park are prohibited, threats have been flung out that the Socialist and other organizations are the next to be attacked (The London Morning Post has already anticipated this), and The Suffragette has been suppressed. We are now asking ourselves:

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INDIANAPOLIS NEWS GO TO THE BAD ON MILWAUKEE SITUATION

The work of "beating the Socialists" is still being rushed in three shifts, night and day, with a reserve force to meet any emergency.

An enterprising Michigan newspaper printed a picture of Grand avenue when it was disemboweled by the "nonpartisan" administration and closed to traffic while the mayor was urging that Wells street should be made the center of commerce and fashion, and informed its readers that the upheaval was caused by the necessity to relay the pavements that the Socialists had put down and which had proven an utter failure.

We have no complaint to make when the "great" daily newspapers of the land which are devoted to the capitalistic interests are moved in the service of their masters to lie clumsily or skillfully in an endeavor to discredit the Social-Democratic administration of Milwaukee and to exalt its "nonpartisan" successor. The capitalist press exists for such purpose. It is conscious of its obligations. It realizes its economic dependence and it is zealous in seeking to show itself worthy its hire.

There is no reason to expect from the capitalist press justice for a Socialist administration. There were a few newspapers which, failing to sense the class interest involved, undertook to tell the truth about the Social-Democratic administration of the Milwaukee municipal and county governments, but they did not repeat the offense.

How thoroughly the capitalistic interests were frightened by the Social-Democratic victory in Milwaukee in 1910 is shown by the continued effort by the capitalistic press to make it appear that the Social-Democratic administration failed to rise to its opportunities and administer the affairs of the city in a creditable manner. We find in a recent issue of The Indianapolis News an article from a staff correspondent, which ostensibly is devoted to showing the excellence of "nonpartisanship," but which is designed to discredit the Seidel administration. To begin with, the correspondent reports:

One of the features of the redemption of Wisconsin that has not attracted great attention, is the rescue of Milwaukee from partisan politics. Long before the Socialists broke in here as administrators of the city, by the election of 1910, party lines really had ceased to exist. Party tickets appeared in the various municipal

CAPITALISM'S SORE SPOT—THE PANIC

BY MARVIN WALLOCH.
(Written for The Herald.)

THE "characteristic phenomena of the capitalistic system" the panic has not been without its bourgeois investigators. True it was that Stanley Jevons strove to gain the cap and bells of the "dismal science" by ascribing these disturbances to sun-spots; yet he did not even convince the friends or capitalists of capitalism. However gracefully the dilettanti supporters try to wave away the thought, yet it was fraught with such menace to those who labor with brains, nerves, or muscles, that the very first report of the United States Commissioner of Labor, 1895, dealt with this bread and butter problem, this glaring basis for the economic interpretation of passing events, this challenge of Socialism still lying unanswered at the feet of capitalism.

Carroll D. Wright diagnosed the panic as the acute attack of what he called in his report the greater malady, "Industrial Depression." Here is the hospital record of international industrial incompetency.

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By studying the foreign nations horizontally, longitudinally, introspectively, and conclusively figures were secured for a series of years on railroads, quarters of wheat, hanks, imports, exports, pig iron, joint stock companies, coal, cotton yarn, and revolutions. One long-headed French expert stated the causes of the crisis were "failure of credits, troubles of circulation, and excessive oscillation in the price of merchandise." You can see that stock exchange and bourse experts are still using the same prolix nothing as M. Reybaud of the Institute of France did in 1857. In Germany the bimetalists were that certain in regard to the real cause of panics, that in fascination of their curare they overlooked the extension of credits. In 1874 the exchanges effected by the Reichsbank were \$101,238,000; while ten years later the perfection of credit ratings enabled it to effect exchanges of over \$6,000,000,000. Beyond bimetalists' bloated dreams!

In our own U. S. A. the panic of 1857 was ascribed to speculation; 1847 it was the tariff—1857 it was extension of credits (two of short duration due to the famine in Ireland); 1847 results of the Civil war—1873 the failure of Jay Cook and currency inflation—1886, well congress sent a special corps of investigators into the field who returned with 175 answers alphabetically catalogued, beginning with agitators and business collapse down to war and work-by-the-piece. Panics grew out of "too exclusively intellectual education," "extravagance in dress," "laws relative to guardianship of children," "free passes on railroads" and "corruption in municipal governments." A complete confusion of cause with effect.

What crimes have been laid to corruption in municipal government! James Bryce said, "The city is the glaring failure in American democracy." If the bourgeoisie only realized that the hag of war and municipal thieves were safely veiled to be lovingly tended by the performed ruse—capitalism, and not spurned. Henry George showed that it means little to the workers if the painted ladies of capitalism ditched the cities treasury. Those who have nothing but their labor—and especially the proletarians of the big cities, care little about the prodigality of the government, and in many cases are disposed to look upon

SOCIALISM AND THE CURSE OF DARK AGES

A Cleveland, Ohio, correspondent sends to this office a copy of the "Catholic Universe" of that city, with the date of May 24. An editorial "The Church and Politics," is marked; specifically the following paragraph in the editorial:

"As we have said before, we do not favor a 'Catholic party' in this country. We are afraid that it may come as the only convenient and effective offset to a rising tide of Socialism. Our correspondent, indignant at the clerical presumption of expressing itself against Socialism, which clergyman know nothing, asks: 'How is this for high!'

To us, the editorial and the paragraph are a compliment more than a compliment, a homage to Socialism. "Catholic" means universal. The Roman organization being "Catholic" is universal. What it is in one place it is in another. Being a world-wide party in several countries—Germany and Belgium, for instance, it must be the same everywhere else. Accordingly, in this country as elsewhere the Roman Catholic machine is a political machine.

Political strife is a strife of reasoning. Where political strife is liveliest discussion is most general. Political activity and blind devotion are inseparable. Political activity repels compromise. Adverse political parties regard one another as peers, much the same as contending lawyers before a jury; and as just these political parties endeavor to win over the jury—the voters. "Argument" is the weapon in politics—the only effective one, today.

The weapon of the Roman Catholic machine is, however, not argument. In this country we have had a sample thereof.

When Father Edward McGlynn declared himself the partisan of a single tax political movement, it was not enough for the Roman Catholic machine to denounce him. The single tax, though far from being an emancipator of the proletariat, certainly was a menace to the landlord class, a class in which the Roman machine has a star member. But while denunciation—argument—can not always be distinguished from denunciation—was in order from the Roman political machine, it resorted to something else, a weapon inherited from the dark and feudal ages when the Roman machine, though a political machine, was the sole one allowed or allowed. That weapon was Anathema.

In order that the many-sided features of this weapon be fully appreciated, we here reproduce the Anathema or excommunication of Father McGlynn, officially read to the people in Latin on July 3, 1887, under Leo XIII. Michael Augustin, a Catholic, is published by the Central News company, Philadelphia, a copy of which can be found in the 42nd Street library.

THE BAD ON MILWAUKEE SITUATION

fairly made their position so untenable that they could not offer tickets last year. The fact really was not so much against the Socialists, because their administration, while objectionable to many, had not been dishonest, but rather against the old partisan rule which had been rotten and dishonest as well as inefficient and objectionable.

The character of the report made by the correspondent of The Indianapolis News indicates that it was inspired by one of Bill Nye's 40 liars. The Bading administration has been notorious for its spoils-mongering. Both Bading and Carney pledged themselves before election that if elected they "would make every Socialist walk the plank." As far as possible they have kept their pledge. The appointments have been of no higher order than they were under the Rose administration. The president of the common council is the same alderman who served as president of the council when Rose was mayor and the street railway franchise was extended and the council was found to have been ruled by a bipartisan, or what has now come to be known as a "nonpartisan," gang of grafters.

The "old gang," in fact, is back on the job. From the mayor down, with the exception of an official here and there to fill the vacancies occasioned by death or the grand jury, a roll call of the municipal officials reveals the same officeholders and politicians and hangers-on that were in office under the Rose and Becker bipartisan regime.

The same capitalistic interests which were exalting Rose as the best mayor that Milwaukee ever had are now extolling the virtues of Bading and "nonpartisanship."

Why shouldn't they? It's their mayor—it's their common council—it's their government.

They own Uncle Tom and Topsy and Marks the lawyer, the tattooed man, the bloodhounds and the two jackasses. They take in the money at the door and sell the tickets at the box office.

It's their show.

It may be "rotten," but they need the money and it is up to the press agents to tell what a wonderful aggregation has been collected under a single tent for the edification of the public—a show that is at once moral and righteous, entertaining and instructive, endorsed by press and pulpit and better than ever with new paper and an asbestos curtain.—The Milwaukee Leader.

ETHICAL SIDE OF SOCIALISM

BY SAM ATKINSON.
(Written for The Herald.)

THE chief value of Socialism lies in the fact that it makes men think for themselves. Our judgments are not as warped as they used to be. We fight today for the "under dog." We analyze him. We excuse a man because of his birth and breeding. We have begun to take heredity and environment into consideration. As we have looked at economic causes we have begun to admit that you do things because YOU are YOU. There is no credit due for being good, therefore there should be no condemnation for being bad. The child of the tenement and the elum is hungry because he was hungry! His mother's womb, just as a mother's yearning gave Dante to the world the thief is made a thief by the unalloyed longing of the mother heart. The beauty of the art of Raphael and an Aegaeo finds its origin in the creative genius of the mother love, and as Methodism was really founded by Suzanne Wesley in the days that John and Charles lay

underneath her heart, so the criminal is but the outward expression of some mother's unsatisfied longing.

If the Northerner had been born upon a southern plantation he would have thought slavery a God-ordained institution. Henry Ward Beecher and Wendell Phillips might have been generals in the southern army but for their birth and surroundings.

This little shrub in the Arctic region would become our oaks and elms if they were transplanted. They would grow to a stately height and a sturdy strength.

So it is with men. They must be well born and surrounded by the purest environment to rise to their full stature. No writer has been so misunderstood as the old sage on the Isle of Patmos. He was not dreaming about the after life. No spirit of other worldliness prompted his musings. He saw a New Jerusalem. An earthly city as it ought to be. He pictured man at his best and described what London, Berlin, Paris, New

York, Chicago, St. Louis, Denver, Portland, Vancouver and all the cities of the earth ought to be. Socialism alone shows how man may become a veritable God, and these conditions be changed.

We are very particular to rule the best breed of chickens, hogs and horses. We have been epiphetical with regard to man and that is why the human race is deteriorating. Instead of condemning men for crime and disease let us wipe out the cause. The children of the coming age must face life with an equal opportunity.

We are bestial now. Nay, we need to apologize to the beasts for the comparison. This will be recognized in our dealings with each other. We speak of men as beastly, boggish, foxy and wolfish. Yet these creatures are more loyal to their own kind. Would that the mark of the beast were upon us. It is impossible for any of us to be the best of us. A chain is just as strong as its weakest link and society is just as rotten as its filthiest member.

If we aspire we can only reach our goal through the material. When the fear of poverty has been lifted from our minds and we have food, shelter, fuel and clothing we shall find the race giving itself up to the consideration of art, science, music, literature and religion.

We are hearing about a Christ who came into the world to save our souls. There is not a passage in the scriptures in which this is taught. For every such passage you bring me, I will show you that it was not a soul, but the life which concerned him. The salvation of the entire man depends upon his physical salvation. Make the man fearless, remove haunting poverty from him, let him be sure of a job, and you will find a new creature.

This is the message of Socialism. Not merely material things. Not only worldly well-being. Simply these things that an avenue may be opened until every man becomes the God every man ought to be.

ors will creep out across the fields, and the night wind will sweep past moaning "Ghosts." They are always with us, and always will be while the sad old world keeps echoing to the sob of long goodbyes, while the cruel ships sail away across the great seas and the cold green earth 'tis heavy on the hearts of those we loved. But oh, ghosts of the world, would you sadder still without you. Come, as and speak to us, oh, you ghosts of our old loves, ghosts of playmates and of sweethearts, and old friends, of all you laughing boys and girls. Come to us, and be with us for the world is very lonely, and new friends and faces are not like the old, and we can not love them, nay, nor laugh with them as we have loved and laughed with you. And when we walk together, oh, ghosts of our youth, the world was very glad and bright, but now it has grown old, and we are growing weary, and only you can bring the brightness and the freshness back to us.—Jerome K. Jerome.

DEGRADING WOMAN.

Here is a section of the laws of South Carolina.

Sec. 2659: The father of any child or children under the age of 21 years, and not married, may dispose of the custody and control of such child or children during such time as they remain under the age of 21 years, to any person.

Under the authority of that statute Bejamin R. Tillman, Jr., South Carolina, deeded his two small children to his grandparents, Senator and Mrs. Tillman. The father did this in order to get the children away from their mother, his wife, with whom he had quarreled.

It is to be stated that Senator Tillman's part in that unhappy transaction appears to have been kind and above reproach.

But when Senator Tillman, in the United States senate, attacks woman suffrage as something that will inevitably "degrade women," he misses the whole meaning of the "woman's movement."

It appeals to most persons that the South Carolina statute that ignores the rights of the mother in her children "degrades women."

The other day an Alabama employ-

GHOSTS AND GOBLINS.

Ghosts! They are with us night and day. They walk beside us in the busy street, under the glare of the sun. They sit by us in the twilight at home. We see their little faces looking from the windows of the old schoolhouse. We meet them in the woods and lanes, where we shivered and played as boys. Hark! Can you hear their low laughter from behind the blackberry bushes, and their distant whoops along the grassy glades? Down here, through the quiet fields, and by the wood, where the evening shadows are lurking, winds the path where we used to watch for her at sunset. Look, she is there now, in the dainty white frock we knew so well, with the big bonnet dangling down over her forehead, and her brown hair all tangled. Five thousand miles away! Dead for all we know! What of that? She is beside us now, and we can look into her laughing eyes and hear her voice. She will walk at the side by the wood and we shall be alone; and the shadow

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UPHOLDS THE SOCIALIST POSITION

With Norman Hapgood's assumption of the editorship of Harper's Weekly that journal of civilization makes a decided step in the direction of democracy and radicalism. In the current issue appears an attack on the supreme court idiosyncrasy that shows this democracy and how the Socialists see the peace that others must follow. It is in part as follows:

Mr. Voter, do you worship your Constitution, or do you understand it? Idolatry is a serious handicap to life, and the worst of it is that the object of idolatry is generally a blinder, more so than the idol itself. For the first time since the Constitution was hammered into shape and interpreted for the American people, serious study is being given to the science of politics. Even when the country was torn by the contest over states' rights that resulted in the Civil War, slavery was so overpowering an issue that men were driven by prejudice or passion, instead of by reason. Now, men and women all over the country are asking themselves, "Is the Constitution so



superhuman that we must worship it? When it comes to law, majorities have the German emperor had anything on the United States Constitution? Mr. Voter, do you own thinking? When "Alec" Hamilton got a tip from "Charlie" Montesquieu that there was infidelity in a system of checks that separated absolutely the executive, the legislature, and the judiciary, did "Alec" doom the American people to surrender their thinking faculties to him till the crack of doom? Moses broke the Ten Commandments before he got down from Mt. Sinai. At the stand-pat American has insisted that we obey "Alec" as though Montesquieu were Jehovah. Does the old-fashioned American know that a French count, inspired by the British aristocratic system, guided Hamilton and his fellow aristocrats in the formation of the document which Mr. Gladstone oracularly called "the most wonderful work ever struck off at a given time by the brain and purpose of man?" Mr. Gladstone was a subtle statesman, Mr. Voter. He used to acknowledge books of budding authors by the formula: "I shall lose no time reading your book."

RAILWAYS ARE HIGHWAYS

Private ownership of highways always means ownership by highway-men.

Private control of street railway service over the highways of a city means control of those highways by highway-men. It can't mean anything else. That is what it means everywhere. It means that the people pay for the service they don't get. It means that the private owners charge for service that they don't give.

When a private corporation controls street railway service or any public utility that corporation is interested in the stock. The natural and easy way to get his dividends on stock is to give as little service as possible for the money paid for service.

"Straphangers pay the dividends," said Charles T. Yerkes, the Chicago street railway "magnate" many years ago at a meeting of the stockholders of the North Chicago Street Railway Company. The more people who are compelled to hang to straps when they pay for seats, the greater the dividends. That is the policy upon which all privately owned street railways are run.

Wherever a business must have a right of way, public ownership of that business is the only reasonable method. It makes no difference whether the business is that of carrying passengers, or carrying freight, or messages, or furnishing gas, water,

electric light and power, or what else, the people will not get the service they pay for unless they own and conduct that business.

Under private ownership of public utilities the people pay for service that they want but don't get. But they do get something else that they don't want—they get political corruption, whores and retail. True private ownership means that the people are forced to pay money for corruption of their public servants.

Immediately after the fire of 1906 the United Railroads spent enormous sums of money in corrupting the mayor and supervisors of San Francisco. That money was paid by the people for street railway service; but instead of service they got the whole sale corruption. Enormous sums were spent for hire of attorneys by the United Railroad and the people paid the salaries of the attorneys who were first hired to corrupt public officers and then hired to save corrupt politicians from the penitentiary.

Poor service and political corruption are the inevitable results of private ownership. The people are told that public ownership won't pay for itself and that private ownership will, but it will and does pay the people. It pays in the German cities and towns, in cities and towns of Great Britain, Canada, New Zealand and Australia. In Calgary, Alberta, which is city of about 75,000 people

have the vote. That would mean anarchy!"

When the first body of women get the parliamentary vote, a split will at once take place—the Socialists will come out and the fight for adult suffrage for all women and men will go on.

But the greatest danger of a sex war lies in its effect upon the Socialist movement. Unfortunately, thousands of stalwart Socialists among the suffragettes are having their Socialism diluted by contact with the weak liquor of aristocracy. If war is declared, these women will take sides with the feminists, will forget for a time the revolutionary movement, and will have their vision obscured from the real issue facing humanity. I have heard many of these women themselves hostile to the Socialist movement because they think the Socialists have not done enough for the women. They shout down our speakers, and deny to our propagandists that right of free speech which we are fighting side by side with them to regain.

This is one of the many dangers of sidetracking which the Socialist movement throughout the world has to face.

TO OUR READERS.

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international movement understood that for years various Socialists in the country used the Milwaukee tactics as a by-word and a horrible example of "compromise" and "opportunism." At one time there was even an effort to get the Wisconsin party out of the national movement; all of which efforts were simply DeLeonism still at work and still persisting and working through members of our own party. All that is past, which shows the great work carried on by the Social-Democratic Herald during its years of usefulness. For any one today to even hint that the Milwaukee movement is different from the rest of the movement in the country so far as essential principles and tactics go would be to make himself appear ridiculous. This is not that the Milwaukee movement has changed, it is because the Milwaukee movement was right from the start and the national movement has come into line with it.

In Milwaukee The Herald, from the time it was moved from Chicago in 1901, was the main fire gun during the remarkable years of party growth and party conquest. Each week it fired its broadsides at the enemy, and like a David it attack always hit the mark. During campaigns the precinct bundle brigades all over the city put a copy of the paper at every door. Nationally it has been recognized as one of the party mouthpieces and widely quoted by the enemy.

The Milwaukee Leader, which our readers will now receive each day to fill out the amount of the subscriptions, will bring them each day the latest news from all over the world and give them a knowledge of what aroused labor is doing in all countries. Its Socialist news is very extensive, its national edition being under charge of no less a man than Comrade A. M. Simons, editor of the late Coming Nation and the author of many of the books you have read on Socialism. From time to time The Herald has reprinted editorials from The Leader, so that our readers have some idea of the treat in store for them in the daily editorial page that will come to them.

In conclusion, in laying down the editorial pen after all these many years, I wish to thank The Herald following for their kind support and assistance. The Herald has always struck from the shoulder and hewed close to the line of international Social-Democracy. The signed editorials of Comrade Berger that were so long a feature of the paper have had a powerful influence in the movement, and you will be interested to know that they may still be had in book form.

The Milwaukee Leader is edited by Comrade Berger, and through its pages we shall all meet again. So I need not exactly say good-bye, but rather: Auf Wiedersehen—"till we meet again." Yours for Social-Democracy.

FREDERIC HEATH.
IN THROES OF SEX WAR.

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"Are we in Russia?" It is a question that Americans will soon have to ask, too.

We have established a sort of committee of public safety called the free speech defense committee, which recently organized an historic meeting in Trafalgar square. Speaking after speaker stated that the battle for free speech in England has begun all over again and that the "Bloody Sunday" of 1887, when Cunningham Graham, John Burns and others were put into dungeons, would probably be repeated before long.

The people rolled up in packed masses—about 40,000 of them—with banners flying and bands playing. At one time it looked as though the soldiers would be called out, for as fast as a speaker tried to speak from the forbidden side of the Nelson column, he was hurled with brutality by the police on the top of the heads of the crowd. Then the mounted police got to work, and ultimately the square was cleared, after many arrests. But that is only the beginning. If the flag of free speech is to go down, it will go down in blood and battle. Britain is not yet Russia—even though they are allies.

Russianizing England.

Then the news came along that the secretary of the Labor Leader Publishing company had been arrested, for daring to print the Suffragette in defiance of the police regulations. But we were determined that the woman's paper should appear, come what would, and it did appear.

We are at the beginning of a new chapter of English history, of which no man can see the end.

Enter—The Sex War. This marks the stage where the sex war emerges out of the civil war. Many suffragette leaders have feared this, but they can not any longer hold back the women.

Up to the present the sex war has gone forth that human life was to be spared—that can no longer be assured. The secret militant society inside the W. S. P. U., known as the "Y. H. H.s." (Young Hot-Bloods), for which married women are not eligible, are not likely to stop at deeds which involve the destruction of property. For the W. S. P. U. has not been suppressed—it has only been driven underground.

The introduction of the analytical chemist, with his armory of explosives, the proposal to blow up one of his majesty's cock yards, and the placing of bombs in post offices—all these must sooner or later lead to loss of life. And when the first drop of blood flows it will mean "seeing red" all around.

A moment's consideration will show how easy it would be for the younger militants to place bombs in the coat for the fleet, to derail trains, and to reproduce the Irish dynamite outrages of the '80s.

It is frequently urged that most of these militants, being aristocrats, will be unlikely to go to extremes lengths. But it was just this type of woman in Russia who carried out the terrorist tactics—women like Catherine Breshkovskaya (wife of a landed proprietor and "the grandmother of the Russian revolution"), and Sophie Perovskaya, one of the beauties of the Russian court, hanged for complicity in the plot against Alexander II.

I can vouch for the fact that these women are desperate and will shrink from little. I have met them in their houses and at their meetings, and I know them.

Suffragette Army Amazons.

Take two outstanding types. Recently I was asked to meet Miss Annie Kenney, the leader of the younger militants, whose name is a household word. There were about 20 people in the room—some of them women with loud masculine voices and fine physiques. I looked for Miss Kenney among them, but ultimately I turned out that a shrinking, fragile little creature, the veins showing delicately through her temples, with a sweet, feminine voice, who had been sitting alone in a corner, was the girl-Amazon who has struck such terror into the British public.

She did not speak much about the vote, but she told me that she was an ardent Socialist, that Socialism was her first love, and that when women had the vote, the movement would end and her own more in its ranks.

"The General."

Mrs. Flora Drummond, "General" Drummond, is a most exacting antisocialist. She is a strong featured Scotswoman—comes, I believe, from an outlying island. She has a little boy named Kelt, after Kelt Hardie, a pocket edition of his mother. They are close friends, and these "Amazons" can sometimes be very much like women.

I could have imagined Mrs. Drum-

mond anything rather than what she is, the most formidable political organizer in this country. She is a motherly woman—a strong Socialist—and fearless. To see her directing 100,000 demonstrators, as I have done, sitting in divided skirts astride her horse, is to see mass directed by mind. She avowed to me her passionate love for the Socialist movement, of which she was, before she went into the "votes" movement, one of the hardest workers.

I have gathered in many interviews with the women's leaders and with the rank and file that there is a real danger of a sex war.

Exasperation and despair is setting many of these women against man as a sex, regarding him as the oppressor, as having the power to give them the vote, and refusing to do so.

Feminist Government.

What I am anticipating is the setting in of this country of a separate "feminist" government. Upon the lines which Ulster proposes to set up if home rule is granted to Ireland. That is a government self-elected, holding its own parliament, calling upon women only to obey women made laws (as a set-off to having to obey male legislation), and ignoring all the forces of the crown to coerce them.

Fantastic as this may seem, it has been foreshadowed by The Daily Mail on the very day I am writing this, which says: "It would be possible, for example, with the enthusiasm and wealth which the suffragists command, to organize a women's parliament elected on representative lines by the women of the whole country. Such a body could discuss proposals and draft measures." In fact, it amounts to this—if the women are united, no government can coerce them.

Queen Mary Not a Suffragette.

In the first place, the political leaders on both sides of the house have suffragettes among their own women folk. It has just been stated that Queen Mary, who, of course, as a "motherly" woman, is a violent anti-suffragist, has been shocked and alarmed by the violent demands upon the subject among her adherents, and almost in the royal presence. If they use force against the suffragettes, they will have to use it against their own faith and kin. They are in the den of a fox.

The first thing that will follow this sex war and the establishment of a parliament of women. If it comes about, will be a violent lowering of the birth rate, for these women will not marry, the splitting of the Liberal Party (many of the members of which are strong suffragettes), and last, but not least, a dangerous swing toward a purely famine outlook of half the community. Like begets like.

Young Folks in Action

MILWAUKEE.

MAKE FINAL PLANS.

The committee having in charge the preparation of a schedule and program for the Young People's Socialist League's baseball game to be held for the benefit of the Milwaukee Leaders, will hold a meeting at Brisbane hall, room 214, Monday evening.

At this meeting all final arrangements for a program will be prepared. A large number of tickets have already been disposed of and it is expected that a record breaking crowd will turn out to see the ball game between the South, North and West Side Young People's Socialist League teams; also the big game which is scheduled in the afternoon at 3 p. m. between the Chicago Maroons, representing the Chicago members of the Young People's Socialist League and the Milwaukee Leaders, representing the Young People's Socialist League of Milwaukee.

Tickets for this tournament can be obtained from the various members of the Young People's Socialist League; also from the secretaries of the various branches and the members of the Socialist League. Tickets, and at Brisbane hall, room 214.

A brass band has already been engaged to entertain the visitors and those who attend during the afternoon.

The games will be staged at White City Baseball park, Forty-second and Villet streets, Sunday, Sept. 23.

E. T. Melms, county organizer and business manager of the Milwaukee Leader baseball team, has notified Emil Seidel, ex-mayor, that the committee having charge of the arrangements for the Young People's Socialist League baseball game, expects him to pitch the first ball. A favorable reply is expected within the next few days from ex-Mayor Seidel, as he has always been deeply interested in the Young People's Socialist movement.

It is expected that Seidel will return to Milwaukee within a week or 10 days.

Buzzles

Answer to Scrambled Names in No. 23: John Ruskin, Thomas Carlyle.

The prize goes to H. H. Sacher, Lethbridge, V. P.

Answer to Mixed-up Words in No. 30: "Pilloried Piles of Pillbox Pander." No award.



A YOUNG MAN - O' WARSMAN

PART III OF THE STORY OF HANS.

BY MARTIN GALE.

(Continued from No. 29.)

CHAPTER XLIII.

Feasts for Sharks.

A REVOLUTION had broken out in the United States of Columbia. American citizens and American mailboats had been molested and so on March 2, order came for the Galena to proceed without delay to Aspinwall, as the French call it, Colon. Accordingly the ship was placed under sailing orders, coal and other stores taken on board and on March 4, she said farewell to the Crescent City. As she rounded the bend the Galena signalled "Farewell" to the fleet, the flagship answering with "Bon Voyage."

Going down the river Spike and seven old tars, gathered the boys around them and showed them where forts Jackson and St. Philip were and told them about the forcing of the river by the Union forces during the war. About 15 miles above the mouth of the river or Jetties, the ship came to an anchor for the night and at daylight next morning proceeded on her way passing through the Jetties and into the Gulf of Mexico.

Soon after the muddy waters of the Mississippi were left behind, the sun came out and with a spanking breeze from the north eastward the Galena held true to her course, arriving in Aspinwall, after a pleasant voyage on March 16.

The harbor of Aspinwall, or rather the anchorage, is an open bay with the opening to the north eastward so the northeast trade winds blow right into it during the winter. And there is at times a very heavy sea on so that no boat can go ashore from a ship at anchor. The city or town was divided in two parts, Aspinwall, and that part of it built by the French near the entrance to the canal, Colon. There was nothing attractive about it, though the houses were built after the usual tropical style, open and airy, but mostly of wood. There were at that time about 12,000 inhabitants, among which every nation and race were represented though the most were negroes. There was only one main street through which the tracks of the Panama rail-

road were laid. And it derived its principle importance through being the terminus of the Panama railroad that ran across the Isthmus.

The climate was very warm, Aspinwall being only nine degrees north of the equator. Part of the land was quite low and marshy so the climate was very unhealthy and many died of yellow fever, and another fever something like malaria, called the Chagres fever because it was supposed to originate along the low banks of the Chagres river. It was therefore no uncommon sight to see five or six corpses lying out in the street at daylight of a morning. When anybody died in a hotel or boarding house during the day, when night came the corpse was hauled out into the street where in the morning they were loaded on to a cart and without a coffin or any ceremony they were taken out to a place called "The Hill," outside of the city, where a hole was dug, the corpses dumped into it and covered up.

The French company that was at that time trying to build the canal, had many thousands of laborers, mostly negroes in their employ and almost hundreds of them died daily. The corpses were loaded into a row with a movable bottom and every day toward noon this was towed out several miles into the bay, the bottom was opened and the corpses dumped into the sea where the sharks feasted on them.

CHAPTER XLIII.

Fighting in Sight.

The Panama railroad had been built and was owned by Americans, under a charter from the Columbian government. This charter conferred the right on the United States to protect the railroad and the adjoining territory at all and any time the Columbian government should be unable to do so. And as during the revolution the Columbian government could not give sufficient protection, the Galena was there to take care of and to protect American citizens and interests. There had been considerable bombardment and fighting in and around Aspinwall.

On March 19, the American consul signalled the Galena, that the town had been taken by the revolutionists, so the Galena hove to, ran anchor and went alongside one of the long piers where the mail steamers usually tied up. There was a car loaded with ammunition in the freight sheds of the railroad destined for Panama and consigned to the